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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

FRANCE ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/035,301

FILED: OCTOBER 25, 2001

FOR: USE OF 2, 4 DIAMINO-3-HYDROCARBOXYLIC ACID
DERIVATIVES AS PROTEASOME INHIBITORS

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of July 10, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on October 10, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), to extend to Monday, January 12, 2009.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$ 1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 504409 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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